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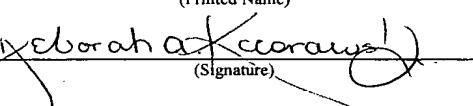
Title: DEVICE FOR  
REMOVING PLANTS  
OR THE LIKE FROM  
GROUND

Application No.: 10/821,129

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified patent application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the Issue Fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a Notice of Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114:** (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

[  ] Please enter and consider the Reply and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113 and 1.116 previously filed on October 14, 2005 (8 pages).

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b. Enclosed are:

[ X ] Copy of Reply and Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.113 and 1.116 previously filed on October 14, 2005 (8 pages).

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):				\$790.00	= \$790.00
Total Claims:	6	- 20	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
Independents	1	- 3	= 0	x \$200.00	= \$0.00
First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:			+ \$360.00	= \$0.00	
				CLAIMS FEE TOTAL:	= \$790.00

[ X ] The Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

[ ]	Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$120.00	0	\$0.00
[ X ]	Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$450.00		\$450.00
[ ]	Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$1,020.00		\$0.00
[ ]	Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,590.00		\$0.00
[ ]	Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,160.00		\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:			\$450.00
	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:		-	\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL			\$450.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:			\$1240.00
[ ]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):			\$0.00
[ ]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)			\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:			\$1240.00

[ X ] Check No. **16170** in the amount of **\$1240.00** to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.

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Respectfully submitted,

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